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MEMORANDUM FOR	: BO/IRO
FROM:	Information and Privacy Coordinator
SUBJECT:	Sanitizing of Documents for Release Under FOIA

- 1. I have noticed recently an significant increase in the number of documents in which portions intended for redaction can be clearly read after copying. On Monday, 5 May, I personally identified three cases in which this problem was present; the attached, Lindsay, P86-0139, is an example. As is evident, the requester would be able to read everything which the PBI had bracketed for our review and which we had intended to redact. While both the assigned case officer and I personally review every sanitized document intended for release, I am concerned that sensitive information could nevertheless slip through our final review process.
- 2. As we all have experienced, such problems can arise from the color of the marking pen, the dryness of the pen, or the type of copier utilized. Because I have long been concerned that technical means or computer-enhancement techniques might permit someone to restore "blacked-out" information, we have formally requested CTS to review our present redaction process and our requirements and to recommend a procedure which would make the redaction process more certain. We will, of course, advise you of their findings.
- 3. In the interim, while it does not seem necessary for the IRO to re-review the documents after copying, it might be advisable to have someone at the supervisory level in the Processing Section check outgoing packages for read-through problems. I believe our joint efforts in this regard will significantly reduce the possibility of disclosure of sensitive information. If we can be of further assistance, please let me know.

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